

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Assignee: Synopsys, Inc.
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Static Timing Analysis With Merged Results
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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Initial Comments:

This response addresses the rejection of Claim 1-43.
Claims 1-11, 14-38, and 41-43 are rejected under 35 U.S.C.
102(b) as being anticipated by "Focus Report: Timing Analysis"
(Schulz). Claims 12, 13, 39, and 40 are rejected under 35
U.S.C. 103(a) as being rendered obvious by Schulz.

Claims 1, 11, 17, 19, 20, 25, 32, 33, and 34 are amended
herein. Claims 10 and 31 are cancelled herein (Claim 44 was
previously cancelled). Claims 45-82 are added.